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FROM CAPTAIN ROBERT MACKENZIE.

NORFOLK March 14th. 1775.

DEAR SIR

I am truly concerned to find myself under a necessity to depart from Virginia without the Pleasure of having paid my Respects at Mount Vernon, which was one of the principal Objects I had in View leaving Boston, my only possible Attempt being frustrated by the pressing Necessity of a Friend, with whom I travelled, to return to James River sooner than I intended. When I shall again have a Chance for this Honour depends upon Events too intricate to foresee at present, tho' I anxiously hope they will terminate so favorably as to allow me a longer Indulgence in the Course of next Year. In the mean Time I beg you will accept this as an Assurance of the permanent Respect and best Wishes of,

Dr Sir your most obedient and most humble Servant ROBERT MACKENZIE.